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## THE RECENT CONSPIRACY IN SIAM.

The statement has appeared in some of the other local papers that officers arrested in connection with the recent conspiracy have been released, says the Bangkok Times of March 22. This is somewhat misleading. What really happened is that after the disclosure of the projected rebellion a number of officers were arrested. Necessarily some of these were more deeply implicated than others. The papers in connection with the different cases were sent to His Majesty the King, and those against whom the evidence was slight have been released from custody pending their trial by Court Martial. This court composed of both Army and Navy officers has now been appointed, and commenced its preliminary investigations yesterday. At the conclusion of the court's deliberations the evidence will be sent to His Majesty.

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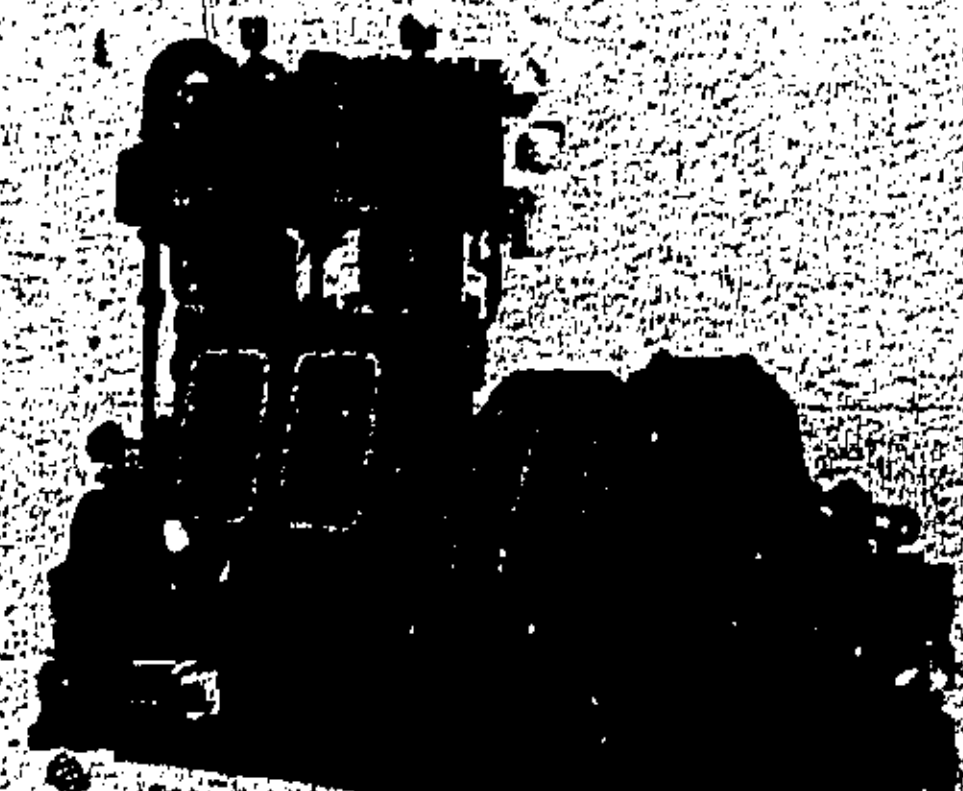
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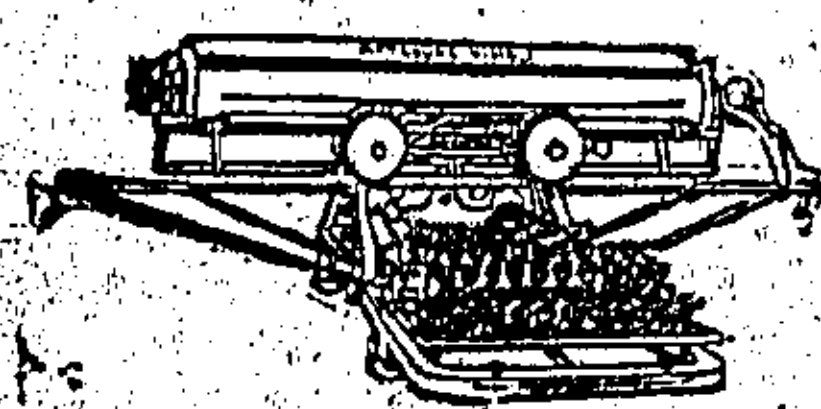
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Half Mile Flat Race open to European Sailors, Soldiers and Police—220 yards Championship open to all Bona Fide Amateurs in the Colony under the rules of the A.A.A. £100.  
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C. M. S. ALVES,

Hongkong, April 3, 1912.

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the THIRTY-NINTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Society will be held at its Head Office, No. 2, Queen's Buildings, Hongkong, on TUESDAY, the 23rd April, 1912, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with the Statement of Accounts for 31st December, 1911, and of declaring Dividends, &c.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Society will be CLOSED from 14th April to the 23rd April, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,

C. MONTAGUE EDE,

Secretary.

Hongkong, April 3, 1912.

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The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 14th April to the 23rd April, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,

C. MONTAGUE EDE,

Secretary.

Hongkong, April 3, 1912.

## Intimations.

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(BRITISH SECTION).

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THE Public is hereby notified that during the EASTER HOLIDAYS from FRIDAY, April 5th to MONDAY, April 8th, both dates inclusive an additional train will leave Kowloon at 10.15 A.M. for Taipei, Ealing and Chum Chum.

The Express Train from Canton arriving Kowloon at 6.50 P.M. will also call at Fanning at 8.10 P.M. on the above dates to pick up passengers.

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By Order,

H. P. WINSLOW,

Manager.

Kowloon, April 3, 1912.

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Secretary.

Hongkong, April 3, 1912.

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By Order,

A. B. LOWE,

Secretary.

Hongkong, April 3, 1912.

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Hongkong, April 3, 1912.

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NOTICE

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By Order of the Board,

C. MONTAGUE EDE,

Secretary.

Hongkong, April 3, 1912.

## TRIANGULAR CRICKET.

African Team Selected for England.

The following are the cricketers chosen to represent South Africa in the triangular cricket matches to be played in England this season: P. W. Sherwell, O. A. Fairbank, L. J. Tansred, G. O. White, S. J. Snooks, A. Vogler, S. J. Fogler, T. Campbell, A. D. Rennie, J. W. Zulch, E. M. Eardigan, R. Beaumont, R. W. Taylor, R. O. Schwarz, G. C. B. Llewellyn, G. P. Carter, and J. Cox, or a fast bowler.

The mention of Cox, or a fast bowler, probably means that if Korbio is not available Cox will be chosen. The feature of the selection is the inclusion of the young players, Hartigan, Taylor, and Carter.

Of the seventeen players chosen, says *Sporting Life*, nine have already been seen in English first-class cricket—Sherwell, Faulkner, Tansred, White, Snooks, Vogler, Nourse, Schwarz, and Llewellyn. The last-named is, of course, the ex-Hampshire professional. Vogler was a complete failure in Australia last year, but he has apparently recovered his form, and Tansred, after being apparently past his best, made a good many runs in South Africa last season. Of the remainder, Fogler, Zulch and Campbell accompanied the team to Australia last year. Campbell is a wicketkeeper, and will presumably act as underkeeper to Sherwell. Fogler is a medium-paced bowler, who is reputed to send down an occasional googly; and Zulch, a very steady batsman, made some big scores against the Australians.

Should Faulkner, Vogler, White and Schwarz be able to produce the form they showed in 1907 the side will be very powerful in googly bowling, and the left-handed Llewellyn and the new man should give variety; but it makes surprising reading that the presence of a fast bowler is left in doubt. Korbio, who is mentioned as likely to come, has long been past his best, and Cox's pace is medium to fast medium.

It will be noticed that Pearce and Comally, neither of whom was an outstanding success in Australia, have been dropped. On the other hand, L. J. Tansred, a bit of a veteran now, since he is thirty-six, has been revived, but this is hardly surprising, in view of the brilliant performances of the Transvaal man when he returned to serious cricket last season. Against Western Province, in the Currie Cup Tournament, he made 180, as well as 56 against Eastern Province and 85 against Griqualand West. Tansred did not moderately when last in England, scoring just over 700 runs and playing in only one Test match, but he was one of the most successful batsmen of the 1902 tour.

H. W. Taylor has been a prominent figure in Natal cricket for some seasons. He played two fine innings of 65 and 30 against the last M.C.C. touring team, but did not get a chance in the Test matches, nor—much to the disgust of several South African critics—in the side that made the Australian trip. "Joe" Cox, the Natal bowler, was the discovery of last season. He was responsible for some remarkable pieces of bowling in the Currie Cup tournament—eight wickets for 20 in the second innings of the Transvaal, and seven for 42 against Western Province, being the best of several. He is a medium to fast right-hand, who nips sharply from the pitch and gets on a lot of break. Taylor, it may be mentioned, made 92 and 173 against Griqualand West during the same tournament; he is a versatile player, and, when occasion requires, a fearless hitter.

E. M. Hartigan—there are two brothers, but it may be taken as pretty certain that E. M. is the one selected—has already gained some distinction as an Association football player, having represented South Africa against the English team two years ago. He was another of the successes of the last Currie Cup tournament, making 88 for the Border against the Orange Free State, and taking seven wickets for 63 runs against the Transvaal.

R. Beaumont has been in consistent form as a batsman in Transvaal cricket this season, and is also useful as a change bowler. O. P. Carter must have come on rapidly as a bowler, as when the M.C.C. team was last in South Africa he bowled in two innings against the tourists without taking a wicket.

Interviewed in Colombo by the *Time of Ceylon*, Mr. F. F. Warner said that the M.C.C. tour in Australia had resulted in a loss of £800. They had played to big crowds, but their share of the gate was only equal to one-third of the receipts. If they had received half the gross gate they would have come out all right.

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JAPANESE FISHERMEN IN CANADIAN WATERS.

Yokohama Resident's Opinion.

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"As the monopolizing of the fishing industry of British Columbia by the Japanese appears to be becoming a serious problem for the British Columbians, perhaps the views of a Britisher who has had close or forty years' experience of the Japanese in their own country may, while not offering a complete remedy, at least point the direction in which remedy may be legitimately and effectively sought.

"If our rule of life were simply an eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth, it would only be necessary to take the Japanese fishing laws and customs as applied to Britishers in Japan, and enforce them against the Japanese in British Columbia. The Japanese would have sore eyes and toothache with a vengeance.

"But we are white men and the white man's law is to do unto others as he would they should do unto him. So we cannot, without doing ourselves dishonour, stoop to the lower standard of the Japanese, whose motto is not 'Give and take,' but 'You give, I take' every time.

"However, let us be just and consider why the Japanese should show such excessive greediness compared with other people. The reason is the same as with the Siwash, who takes your cow and converts it into deer meat. You have more than plenty to eat while he has not enough. Therefore if the Japanese are to be condemned because their views, as to the proper distribution of property, do not entirely coincide with those of their neighbours, they are also to be pitied. It is starvation which drives them to try for all the short cuts in life, and makes them prefer to fight for their food rather than work for it. A false policy of course, but when a man is starving he has no time to think of anything but the quickest way to get food. If you falsify a policy, this becomes easily apparent when you consider that what with conscription and war taxes, the country is becoming more and more impoverished, while at the same time the Japan black stream contains enough fish to feed the whole of Asia. It seems to me to be a pity that the present military waste to the taking of this food which lies at her very doors. There is no need to cross the Pacific to find it.

"It would be folly to drive all the Japanese precipitately out of British Columbia. It would ruin the fishing industry for a long time. The only permanent way of solving the present difficulty is to place the Japanese fishermen with better men from the Atlantic as quickly as possible, and if there should be a Britisher amongst them who thinks that he cannot compete against 'Japanese' efficiency, send him over here and let him see for himself what this much-vaunted efficiency amounts to. Deprived of the artificial support numbers, the Japanese cannot begin to compete with the Britisher. He is not in it. He cannot live in the same water on anything like equal terms. The Japanese themselves are very much alive at this fact, and that is why they dare not 'facilitate' the introduction of capital and skill and brains from their own country by those who are ready to possess them, and enormous is the loss and retardation of Japan in consequence. In fact to some careful observers it appears that in spite of their rapid acquisition of foreign ideas during the past fifty years, Japan is in reality rapidly falling behind in the great international race.

"What a warning this should be to British Columbia to avoid narrow-minded selfishness and to seek only the highest ideal, so that with her enormous resources she may see her own lake, their shore in the peaceful domination of the Pacific Ocean."

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## A FORMER COAL STRIKE

Great Struggle of Seventy

Years Ago.

As things portend, we would appear to

be on the eve of a gigantic strike to

enforce a miners' minimum wage of some

thing like seven shillings per day, says the

Weekly Scotsman of February 24.

Something less than seventy years

ago, in 1845, the country was threatened

with a similar trouble, only the colliers

were then demanding a maximum wage of

thirteen shillings a week!

And when the masters refused to concede

this, telling the men that those of them

who could do so must earn more than the

sum named, 70,000 men came out on strike

in order to enforce the desired restriction.

Sounds somewhat strange now, yet, but

it is a fact nevertheless.

The explanation is this. Prior to and

long after 1844 the average weekly earnings

of a hewer (the best paid grade among

miners) amounted to about fifteen shillings

a week gross. Out of this, however, stop-

pages were made for pick-axes, candles,

powder, and other things necessary to his

calling. These were estimated to total

two shillings per week per man, and no

matter how little he earned in any one

week, the deductions were always made in

rough proportion.

Now, only by working for a full week

of eleven hours (each) could the hewer

average coal-hewer hope to earn the

stipulated fifteen shillings for his week's

work. When in a favourable working place he

might, and frequently did, earn con-

siderably more, but then, as now, the

"abnormal place" presented a difficulty,

and greatly reduced the average individual

earnings.

To remedy this, the miners took exactly

opposite measures to those now being

advanced, for, instead of demanding a

fixed minimum for the man in a "bad

working place, they voluntarily sought to

restrict the earnings of men in a good one.

In other words, when a hewer had earned

the stipulated fifteen shillings in any one

week, the men asked that he should then

be at liberty to cease work for that week.

The idea of this was in order that the work

might "go better round."

Whether or not the argument was eco-

nomically sound, it is not necessary to

consider here. Enough that the employers

refused to entertain the idea, the result

being a calamitous six months' struggle

ending in the men being starved into

submission.

THE COST OF LIVING.

And well might they have starved!

As is well-known, one reason advanced for

the present higher wage demand is the re-

cent "increased" cost of living. But has

the cost really increased, going a little fur-

ther back than is usually done? When the

miners of seventy years ago were seeking

a maximum net wage of thirteen shillings

a week, four cost 7s. 6d. a stone; sugar,

8d. a pound; and most other provisions pro-

portionately high prices. Clothes, boots,

and almost everything else in wear and

household necessity were also much dearer

than now. Further, it is almost un-

necessary to say that the numerous "free"

privileges miners now enjoy, were at that

time quite unknown.

Another thing that greatly militated

against the men was the poverty of their

Unions. Possibly it will surprise most

people to hear that at that distant date

there was a national organization of miners.

Such however, is the fact, for so long ago

as 1841, the then existing Unions were

more or less fused into the "Miners' As-

sociation of Great Britain and Ireland."

For three full years after its inception

this body was constantly engaged in seeking

better conditions for its members and

unsuccessfully exerting all its influence to

prevent strikes! Both in 1842, and 1843,

the leaders had hard work to keep the men

from "coming out," and finally in 1844,

the long looked for struggle could no longer

be postponed, for the rank and file took

matters into their own hands.

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NORTHUMBERLAND AND DURHAM.

Though at one time the entire country

looked more or less like being involved, ul-

timately Northumberland and Durham

proved to be the "storm centre," the other

districts being temporarily pacified, or

overwhelmed in detail.

The negotiations, prior to the final Na-

tional Conference held in Glasgow in March

1844, afforded a decidedly interesting con-

text to the conferences that have recently

taken place. Nowadays the respective

parties meet in luxurious hotels, and

practically on terms of equality. Formerly

the masters refused point blank to discuss

any matter whatever with the men's repre-

sentatives, and were invariably deaf to all

petitions except those praying for a return

to work!

When a meeting did take place (always

during, but never before a strike) it was

usually in some open public space or con-

venient field. On one side were the miners

led by their leader; on the other, the

employers, backed by strong contingents

of police and soldiers.

At the appointed time the men's repre-

sentatives stepped forward to confer with

the masters, the whole proceedings being

smack of military negotiations be-

tween two opposing armies.

One of two such meetings had been held

during various sectional strikes prior to

1844, all of them resulting in the same

way—rejection of the men's demands.

Then came the Glasgow conference above

mentioned, to which, it may be noted, the

men's representatives were not invited.

The usual record need not be said, however

previously passed, and this the employers

now sat to discuss.

The decision to refuse the demands en-bloc

except Durham and Northumberland all

the districts concerned accepted the result

apparently of the conference. And such











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in the new reckoning naturally takes pride of place. This is, however, not to mark such an insignificant affair as the opening of a new year but to commemorate the far more important fact, the assumption of office by the President of the Republic. It would appear that there will be only one day's holiday in January sanctioned by the national authority, the week of relaxation hitherto in vogue from time immemorial being discontinued. Of course it is one thing for an official to promulgate and quite another for the masses of the people to fall in line and obey an edict. It is not likely therefore that the people will willingly give up the old privilege of taking a week off at the one period of the year which brings them not only rest but many luxuries just to range themselves with the usages of the Occident. Why, even in Japan the New Year festivities extend over at least three days. The second holiday commemorates the founding of a United Republic. This is to be on the thirteenth day of the second month, new reckoning. The third holiday is to keep in memory the uprising of the Republican Army at Wuchang, which event is to be kept green in the minds of the people. This is to be held on the nineteenth day of the eighth month. The fourth event is the birthday of Confucius, and this falls on the twenty-seventh day of the eighth month. Then comes the anniversary of the fall of Nanking, and the practical acknowledgement of the supremacy of the Republican armies, which dates from the fall of that city. This is fixed for the eleventh day of the tenth month. The last festival is to recall the actual establishment of the Republic Government, and the twelfth day of the eleventh month is set apart for it.

As mentioned above, such days and festivals as the Tsing Ming, or the week of worship, at the tombs of ancestors; the Dragon Boat festival, which commemorates the suicide of WAT YUEN; and other dates and ideas associated with the procession of the stars and the moon across the fields of heaven are not included in the official list and are apparently ignored by it altogether. But we imagine the masses of the people will by no means abandon their old-time festivals, for most of them—the Tsing Ming—for example—are so closely entwined in the affections of the people that they can almost be associated with some of their most sacred ideals. Time alone can satisfactorily solve some of these interesting questions, but if Japan, affords any example we expect that the official world will duly observe the six stated festivals, while the commonalty will go on as usual observing all the old holidays which have come down to them from long past ages. A nation does not usually break with its historical inheritance in these matters.

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**SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.**

Capt. Andrews, the navy rear P. and O. Marine Superintendent at Bombay, has been transferred to Malta.  
Admiral Sir Arthur Wilson, formerly First Sea Lord, has been awarded the Order of Merit. He declined a Peerage.  
Mr. Morgan Shuster, formerly Treasurer-General of Persia, has accepted a position as foreign agent in Latin America of the National City Bank, New York.  
Monday, April 8th, being the birthday of H.M. Albert I, King of the Belgians, the Belgian Consul in Hongkong will be at home at his office from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.  
It is notified in the Hongkong Government Gazette that Mr. C. T. Atkins has been appointed member of the Court of the University of Hongkong under Clause 4 in Statute 4 (Ordinance 10 of 1911) with effect from March 12, 1912.  
A committee has been formed in Christianity to secure subscriptions to pay Captain Amundsen's debts in connection with his expedition, amounting to £3,910. Afterwards a national subscription will be started for Captain Amundsen himself.  
A telegram from a New York correspondent announces the death on the 4th inst. of Mrs. Annie Yamana, one of the oldest and best-known of American actresses. She remained in Australia many years, also playing in the Straits Settlements, Hongkong, Yokohama, and other towns in the Far East.  
The death of Inspector-General Mahon, C.B., who played an important part in many events which now form part of the history of our Empire, recalls the black day on Majuba Hill. Entering the Royal Navy in 1873 as a surgeon, he was present at Laing's Nek and for his gallant conduct at Majuba Hill he was promoted to the rank of staff surgeon. He served in Egypt in 1882, receiving the Egyptian Medal and Tal-el-Kelbi clasp. A medal was his reward for services during the Burmese War in 1885 to 1887, and later he contracted the terrible beriberi. He recovered from the attack, but only at the expense of a shattered constitution.  
**LOCAL TROUBLES IN TSUNG FA.**  
The two clans, Li and Mok, have for some time quarrelled about the mountain streams feeding the paddy fields. There have been frequent recriminations but recently one of the clans joined the brigands of Tsing Yuen and set out on a freebooting expedition. They first attacked two neighbouring villages belonging to the Siu and Lai clans, but from them they were repulsed. They then went further afield and attacked four other villages, and in this case were able to carry out their nefarious purposes. They destroyed and burnt four villages, and the people fled in terror, amid much weeping, the young on the backs of the old, and the middle-aged crying the little ones. It is reported that the scenes were "too terrible for eyes to look upon and for ear to hear." This is the season when farmers should be about their work so that the prospects of any harvest in this region are now very remote.  
**CANTON NEWS.**  
(From Our Own Correspondent.)  
Canton, April 4.  
Matters on the Delta are still in an unsatisfactory state and piracy and robberies though not so frequent as a fortnight ago are still the order of the day. A telegram has just come from Kin Shan stating that the pirates have been giving great trouble and that as a result the Magistrate in charge of the place has run away and left everything in a state of chaos; the people are urgently requesting that a new man be sent up at once with a number of soldiers to preserve order. Also at Chung Far there has been fighting lately between two sections of the community and now pirates and robbers are in the vicinity ready to take full advantage of the state of affairs.  
**RAK NOTES.**  
The Silk Merchants are the latest to take action with regard to the native bank notes. They have discovered that the late agitation with regard to discount on notes is likely to be very injurious to their trade and they have issued a notice and notified the Government that in all transactions in connection with their trade notes must be accepted and rendered at their face value. This is a good step and it is to be hoped that all the trade guilds will do the same for the city is not in a state to stand a financial crisis at this time.  
**SUPPLEMENTARY NEWS.**  
The Editor of the Ping Wan Po was brought up for trial on a charge of publishing false news about Mr. Chan, the Governor, which was likely to cause trouble among the inhabitants. He was found guilty. His paper was some days ago ordered to cease publication and it has now been stopped altogether and the Editor fined.  
**RAK CITY WALL.**  
The work of knocking down the wall surrounding the old city has been progressing gradually but the Government considers the work at the present rate will "take too long." So they have increased the number of men working at it and appointed special overseers to see that the work is done properly, and that the material is not stolen as has been the case so often.  
**RAK NOT SORE TO SWEAT.**  
A few days ago it was decided to send the soldiers of the 1st and 2nd Bataillons to the Kowloon Peninsula, being given up in that district for some time. One Chinese merchant's steaming boat was ordered to embark 800 men for the Miao place near Swatow and was due to leave last night but at the last moment the men were ordered to be landed and the soldiers were not to be sent as they had been ordered and they did not expect to be further trouble.

**TYPHOON WARNING.**

A telegram sent from the Manila Observatory at 8 p.m. on Friday announced that the cyclone or typhoon previously reported is near or over the Palau Islands and is moving W. or W.N.W.  
**HONGKONG'S FINANCES.**  
The Financial Statement for January 1912 issued from the Treasury shows a balance of assets and liabilities on December 31st, 1911, of \$1,826,973.96. The revenue from 1st to 31st January, 1912, was \$714,058.42, while the expenditure from 1st to 31st January was \$422,700.52, leaving a balance of \$2,119,170.86.  
**METEOROLOGICAL RETURNS.**  
An extract of meteorological observations made at the Hongkong Observatory during last month shows the average mean temperature to have been 64.5°. The highest temperature recorded during that month was 80.3° on the 29th and the lowest 48.9° on March 17th. The average humidity was 88 per cent. but it reached 96 per cent. on the 7th. The smallest recorded was 104.6 hours, and the total amount of rain 4.845 inches. On twenty days no rain fell. The mean total rainfall for March from 1884 to 1908 was 2.86 inches.  
**BIG FIRE IN MANILA.**  
Manila papers to hand tell of the destructive fire which, on March 31st, destroyed No. 2 warehouse of the Standard Oil Company, destroying cases of oil to the value of Peco 1,000,000. Some 320,000 cases of oil were consumed and 30,000 cases of gasoline, but by drawing on other stocks the Company hope to avert any shortage of oil in the Philippines.  
**CHARTERED BANK OF I. A. & C.**  
The Directors' Report, presented at the fifty-eighth ordinary meeting, on 20th March, said:—The directors have now to submit to the shareholders the balance sheet and profit and loss account of the bank for the year ended 31st December last. These show a net profit, after providing for bad and doubtful debts, of £282,451 14s. 6d., inclusive of £158,363 13s. 6d. brought forward from the previous year. The interim dividend at the rate of thirteen per cent. per annum paid in October last absorbed £78,000, and a further sum of £21,000 has been appropriated to pay a bonus to the staff. The amount now available is therefore £283,451 14s. 6d., and the directors propose to pay a final dividend at the rate of fifteen per cent. per annum, making fourteen per cent. for the whole year; to add £25,000 to the reserve fund, which will then stand at £1,650,000; to add £10,000 to the office's superannuation fund; to write off premises amounting to £20,000, and to carry forward the balance of £128,451 14s. 6d.  
**ITEMS AT THE COURTS.**  
Upon a charge of dealing in a lottery a Chinese was this morning fined \$1,000 or six months' imprisonment.  
A coolie was sent to hospital suffering from injuries to the jaw, which were apparently caused as he jumped over a bridge in Pokfulam Road, yesterday. He was drunk, he said, at the time.  
Four Chinese were charged with being slowways on board the s.s. St. Alban. The defendants were found in a coal bunker by the chief engineer. They pleaded guilty and said that the head fireman told them they might go aboard. They were fined \$250 each, or six months.  
A respectable dressed Chinese and a woman were charged with assaulting a Chinese constable. According to the statement of the latter he found the two defendants in a rickshaw at two o'clock in the morning. The rickshaw was only licensed to carry one. He demanded that they should get out, whereupon the male defendant clutched hold of the constable, whose tunic was badly torn. After an Indian constable had rendered assistance the defendants were escorted to the police station. Mr. Irving, the Magistrate, told the male defendant that he was surprised an apparently respectable man should behave in such a way. He was fined \$50 or seven days and was ordered to pay \$25 as compensation for the damaged coat. The female defendant was fined \$1.  
**THEATRE ROYAL.**  
A repetition of "The Chocolate Soldier" by the Bandmann Opera Company on Thursday evening met with a deservedly enthusiastic reception. During the performance the Theatre in a storm of wind and rain were well repaid for their trouble by a capital handling of the play by a talented combination. Unfavourable weather conditions kept many away who would otherwise have been present but the Company, nothing daunted by adverse circumstances, "played the game" and as a consequence everything went with him and from start to finish. The audience showed themselves particularly appreciative and the hurry applause from time to time left no doubt as to the popularity of the play and the merits of the company.  
It would be invidious on our part to mention individual ability in the different acts, as commendable as they were displayed throughout. Considerable interest was manifested by the general audience, and the quality of the performance of the play was in the second act and their ability played a significant part in the success of the evening.  
To-night the charming and musical comedy "The Chocolate Soldier" will be given.

**REPORTING.**

**Hongkong Cricket League.**  
The following is the League table up to date:  

Club	P	W	L	D	Pts.
Craigswater	14	9	2	3	39
Civil Service	14	8	6	0	24
Kowloon	14	6	3	5	23
R.G.A.	13	5	3	5	20
Naval Yard	14	5	9	0	15
R.E.	12	4	6	2	14
Hongkong Police	12	4	8	0	13
K.O.Y.L.L.	11	3	8	0	9
N.B.	A win = 3 points. A draw = 1 point.				

  
**Felo.**  
Mr. Morris Duval, an English polo player, while taking part in a game, England v. Canada, at Coronado, broke his collarbone. Mr. Ross replaced him, but later in the game Mr. Ross collided with another player and was heavily thrown. He also sustained a broken collarbone.  
England beat Canada finally by 6 goals to 4.  
**"THE MESSIAH."**  
The great popularity of Handel's famous oratorio "The Messiah" was eloquently attested on Good Friday night by the crowded congregation which assembled in St. John's Cathedral to hear the usual yearly performance of selections therefrom. Despite the fact that the seating accommodation was increased by chairs placed in the aisles, the sacred building was crowded to overflowing, while numbers of people who could not gain admission were content to stand in the western porch during the whole hour and a quarter occupied by the rendering of the beautiful music. Mr. Donnan Fuller, F.R.C.O., was at the organ, and the Cathedral choir was supplemented by a large body of other vocalists, the total chorus comprising over 80 voices. The selections included practically the whole of Part II. of the oratorio and seven numbers from Part III, all of which were splendidly sung. The chorus work was very well done, especially "Lift up your heads," and the concluding chorus, "But thanks be to God." If there was a fault, it was that the soprano was a trifle weak in attack, a shortcoming emphasized all the more by the vigorous work of the other parts.  
The soloists achieved great success and gave deep satisfaction to their hearers. The air "He was despised" was beautifully sung by Mr. T. L. Perkins, whose rich contralto voice was used most sympathetically in its interpretation. His Excellency Mr. Chand Severn also gave great delight to all present by his finished rendering of the recitative and air "My people have broken" and "Behold and see." His Excellency possesses a "lover's voice" of marked purity and sweetness, while his pronunciation was that of an experienced trained vocalist. In the inspiring air "But God did not leave" Mr. F. J. Kim was in splendid form, the grace and flexibility of his voice doing full justice to the melodious pathos which pervades the number. The popular voice of Master J. F. Marking had an ambitious task in the final rendition of "I know that my Redeemer liveth," but he rose admirably to the occasion and sang the beautiful air with marked excellence and purity of voice. Messrs H. T. Bond and G. F. Bond were featured in the duet "O Death, where was thy sting?" Though somewhat lacking in power, the duet was well sung and the number was most successful.  
Dunstan Valley and the Hongkong Police bands also took part in the performance. The Hongkong Police band, under the direction of Mr. F. J. Kim, was especially well heard, and the number was most successful.



# BY TELEGRAPH.

## WEST INDIES AND CANADA.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)  
 London, April 5.  
 The West Indian delegates now in Canada negotiating for closer trade relations have met with a most cordial reception. There are good hopes of a satisfactory outcome to their labours.

## THE HEIR-APPARENT.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)  
 London, April 4.

A telegram from Reuter's agent in Ottawa states that the Dominion Government has invited the Prince of Wales to visit Canada in 1914.  
 [Note.—In this connection it is interesting to read the charming reply which the Prince made to a deputation of Welsh Anglians, Roman Catholics and Nonconformist representatives on St. David's Day. He said:—  
 "I thank you very much indeed for your address, in which you renew those expressions of affectionate loyalty that greeted me last summer in our glorious Welsh Castle of Caernarvon."  
 To-day, Dydd Gŵyl Dewi Sant (St. David's Day), you revive the memories of that splendid scene, of which I was not too young, I think, to understand the meaning and the beauty. I shall always treasure this record of the thought inspired in you by a ceremony so noble and so sacred.  
 As I grow older and have to take my part in public life there will be difficult duties for me to face, but I shall meet them with more courage for the confidence I have that your prayers and good wishes go with me. And whatever new ties and associations change those first feelings of affection which must always bind me to the land from which I take the historic title that I am so proud to bear.  
 You come here to-day with a kind and noble message from the Welsh people. Thank them, please, for me, saying that I shall ever pray to God to make me worthy of being the Prince of Wales."

## NEW AUSTRIAN AMBASSADOR TO JAPAN.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)  
 London, April 4.

A telegram from Reuter's correspondent at Vienna states that Baron Mueller, of the Foreign Office, has been appointed Ambassador in Tokyo.

## THE OHANTILLY SENSATION.

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 London, April 4.

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## FLOODS IN AMERICA.

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 London, April 4.

Widespread distress has been occasioned by floods in the Mississippi Valley.

## THOUSANDS RENDERED HOMELESS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)  
 London, April 4.

In Kentucky, Tennessee and Missouri several towns are deserted and thousands are homeless.

## THE RIVER AT CAIRO IS FIFTY MILES BROAD.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)  
 London, April 4.

Fifty thousand inhabitants of the Mississippi delta have been warned that the levees threaten to collapse and are fleeing.

## BILLIARD EXPERTS' TOUR.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)  
 London, April 4.

Stevenson and Gray, the well-known billiard experts, are to leave Southampton on May 18th for South Africa, where they will visit the most important towns and later proceed to Rhodesia, time permitting. They will leave South Africa in September for India, where they will remain until the following March, and from thence they will leave for Australia.

## THE SUFFRAGETTES.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)  
 London, April 4.

Mrs. Pankhurst and Mr. and Mrs. Pethick Lawrence have been committed for trial on the conspiracy charge. They have been granted bail.

## THE HUNGARIAN CRISIS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)  
 London, April 4.

The Hungarian Parliament has adjourned for the holidays without settling anything in regard to the recent crisis. The extreme members of the Opposition demand the election of a new Government. The Government, however, insists on the continuation of the present Government.

# BY TELEGRAPH.

## PEKING TO PARIS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)  
 London, April 5.

A message from Paris says that the Matin intends organising an aeroplane race from Peking to Paris.

## THE COAL WAR.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)  
 London, April 4.

After an harangue with Mr. A. Stanley, Labour M.P. for N.W. Staffs, 10,000 Cannockchase miners, who had overwhelmingly voted against resumption, decided to resume forthwith.

## THE MONETARY ASPECT.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)  
 London, April 4.

The miners have since the strike lost £5,000,000 in wages while the fund of the Miners' Unions have been depleted to the extent of £1,295,000.

## MINERS' LEADERS' QUARREL.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)  
 London, April 4.

It is stated that acute differences have arisen between the miners' leaders over the decision of the Executive yesterday, which was reached by a small majority.

## ONE OF THE LEADERS IS QUOTED AS SAYING THAT IF THE CONFERENCE OF SATURDAY DECIDES AGAINST RESUMPTION, IT WILL BREAK UP THE MINERS' ORGANISATION.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)  
 London, April 4.

Whatever the decision of the Conference is, it is not expected that a national strike will be resumed owing to the huge abstentions in the ballot and the large numbers of men now working.

## IT IS NOTWORTHY THAT AT THE BALLOT IN JANUARY 445,801 VOTED FOR A STRIKE AND 113,721 AGAINST OUT OF A VOTING STRENGTH OF 610,000.

## THE HOLIDAY SPIRIT.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)  
 London, April 4.

Despite the restricted train service and the absence of excursions, the Easter exodus from London yesterday was enormous, the congestion at the stations being unprecedented.

## RAILWAY LOSSES.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)  
 London, April 4.

Owing to the strike the receipts of 51 Railway Companies for the week ending March 31st show a decrease of £747,060, while the receipts for the thirteen weeks ending on the same date have decreased by £2,232,606 as compared with the corresponding period in 1911.

## TRAFFIC IN BOMBS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)  
 London, April 4.

Reuter's agent at Constantinople wires that two men named respectively Kirker and Simon on arriving from Yarna were arrested for carrying 28 kilograms of dynamite and eight bombs. Kirker had six passports on him. The men are supposed to be anarchists, and emissaries of the Bulgarian and Macedonian Committee.

## THE POLICE ARE SEARCHING FOR POSSIBLE ACCOMPLICES IN CONSTANTINOPLE.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)  
 London, April 4.

A message from Reuter's Constantinople correspondent states that investigation of the bombs shows that they were intended for Russia. Simon is a "Bosco-Amerikan" and has been reported that he had frequently conveyed bombs to Russia. Kirker has been named.

# BY TELEGRAPH.

## THE TRADE COMMISSION.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)  
 London, April 4.

The Times says that Opposition members of Parliament are surprised at the composition of the Imperial Trade Commission. They do not consider that the Government has carried out the tacit understanding that it would be of first importance, in respect of the personnel, to be entirely impartial. They complain that statements of the calibre of Lord Grey and Lord Balfour of Burleigh were not asked to serve, and state that several of the members are known to be extreme fiscal partisans, or are not possessed of sufficient commercial training.

## ADMIRAL OF PATROLS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)  
 London, April 4.

Rear-Admiral De Robeck has been appointed to command the torpedo-boat flotillas, under the title of Admiral of Patrols.

## THE WATER SUPPLY.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)  
 London, April 4.

Level and Storage of Water in Reservoirs on the 1st April, 1912:—  
 CITY AND HILL DISTRICT WATER WORKS LEVEL.

1911.	1912.
Tyram 41 ft. 3 in. below overflow	41 ft. 3 in. below overflow
Tyram 39 ft. 3 in. below overflow	39 ft. 3 in. below overflow
Tyram 37 ft. 3 in. below overflow	37 ft. 3 in. below overflow
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Tyram 31 ft. 3 in. below overflow	31 ft. 3 in. below overflow
Tyram 29 ft. 3 in. below overflow	29 ft. 3 in. below overflow
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Tyram 13 ft. 3 in. below overflow	13 ft. 3 in. below overflow
Tyram 11 ft. 3 in. below overflow	11 ft. 3 in. below overflow
Tyram 9 ft. 3 in. below overflow	9 ft. 3 in. below overflow
Tyram 7 ft. 3 in. below overflow	7 ft. 3 in. below overflow
Tyram 5 ft. 3 in. below overflow	5 ft. 3 in. below overflow
Tyram 3 ft. 3 in. below overflow	3 ft. 3 in. below overflow
Tyram 1 ft. 3 in. below overflow	1 ft. 3 in. below overflow

## AMOIY NOTES.

(From our own Correspondent.)  
 AMOIY HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.

It has been decided to hold the Spring Flower Show either on Easter Monday, April 8th, or else on Saturday, April 20th, according to the weather conditions prevailing between now and then. The weather changes so rapidly each week that one cannot tell whether the flowers will be retarded by North East winds, or pushed forward by a week's hot muggy weather. So the decision of the Committee to hold it according to the weather should result in a good show. Last week we had several very hot muggy days, but a strong North East gale came down on Saturday which has put us back into winter once again. But as we are now in April, we know that it will soon turn hot and sunny.

## CHANGES IN AMOIY.

(From our own Correspondent.)  
 AMOIY HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.

Mr. and Mrs. Blowey, of the Chinese Customs, left us for furlough a week ago. Mrs. Beattie has gone home with her two children, and the Rev. W. H. Oldham has also left for furlough at home.

## A RUSSIAN WEDDING.

(From our own Correspondent.)  
 AMOIY HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.

Miss Alcock was married to Mr. Rudolph Lyndkorf, of the Great Northern Telegraph Company, on Monday, April 1st. After a ceremony at the office of the Danish Consul, Mr. C. Lee, of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co., repeated at the British Consulate by Mr. A. J. Sundius, the religious ceremony was held in the Union Church, Kowloon, conducted by the Rev. Frank Kung, at 3.30 p.m. The Church was tastefully decorated by friends of the bride, and a goodly number of Amoy residents attended the marriage service. Mr. F. Ewart Jostland provided at the Organ, and played Mendelssohn's Wedding March as the bridal party left the Church. The newly-married couple were the recipients of a large number of beautiful and useful wedding presents, and received the hearty congratulations of their many friends. Mr. and Mrs. Frick held a reception at their home immediately after the service at the church, and a very happy afternoon was spent, the lucky couple leaving in their chairs at 7.30 amid showers of rice and a few old shoes. The honeymoon is to be spent in Formosa.

## LAME BACK.

(From our own Correspondent.)  
 AMOIY HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.

ONE of the most common ailments that afflicts the Chinese people is "Lame Back," which is caused by a strain of the muscles of the back, or by a dislocation of the vertebrae. It is a very painful condition, and one that is often neglected until it has become chronic. The best treatment for this ailment is to use a good back support, and to take regular exercise. The Chinese people are often very careless of their backs, and this is the cause of much suffering. It is important that they should be made aware of the danger, and that they should take steps to prevent it.

# RAMBLING NOTES.

The most fruitful topic of conversation in England is "the weather." That is mainly because in the old country we are supposed to have climates worth boasting about but merely a collection of samples which the Little Tin Gods above dote out without the least discrimination. Hongkong is evidently similarly endowed these days. One gets up in the morning with balmy airs blowing through the open windows: a search is made for lighter clothes and there are donned without hesitation. But by nightfall a change has come about, the temperature has dropped and one is shivering and cursing the too-frequent changes in the weather.

## ON WEDNESDAY, FOR INSTANCE, WE WERE ALL STEAMING IN THE BEST, FOG-WRAPPED TOPS OF THE HILLS, WHILE AROUND THE HARBOUR WAS BLANKETED IN GREY. THEN THE OBSERVATORY VERY CONSIDERABLY ANNOUNCED IN THE MIDDAY ISSUE OF ITS REPORT "COOLER LATER." AND IT WAS, WITH A VENGEANCE. SOON AFTER DINNER THE WIND RUSHED DOWN FROM THE NORTH-EAST, THE RAIN FELL IN TORRENTS, AND AS ONE SOUGHT THE SHELTER OF THE BLANKETS ONE REGRETTED THAT THE SLEER-DOWNS HAD BEEN PUT AWAY AT THE SEASON.

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	ATSUTA MARU, Capt. J. Nagao, Tons 2000	WEDNESDAY, 24th Apr., at Daylight.
VICTORIA, B.C., and SEATTLE, via SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, and YOKOHAMA.	SANUKI MARU, Capt. N. Terada, Tons 7000	TUESDAY, 9th Apr., at Noon.
	AWA MARU, Capt. T. Iizawa, Tons 7000	TUESDAY, 23rd Apr., at Noon.
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	YAWATA MARU, Capt. Sekine, Tons 5000	FRIDAY, 10th May, at Noon.
BOMBAY, via SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, and PORT SAID.	COLOMBO MARU, Capt. J. Terada, Tons 5000	WEDNESDAY, 3rd Apr., at Noon.
NAGASAKI, KOBE, and YOKOHAMA.	YAWATA MARU, Capt. Sekine, Tons 5000	WEDNESDAY, 10th Apr., at Noon.
SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE, and YOKOHAMA.	YAWATA MARU, Capt. Sekine, Tons 5000	WEDNESDAY, 10th Apr., at Noon.
KOBE & YOKOHAMA.	YAWATA MARU, Capt. Sekine, Tons 5000	WEDNESDAY, 10th Apr., at Noon.
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SHANGHAI	THURSDAY, Apr. 11, at Noon.	
MANILA, CEBU & ILOILO	FRIDAY, Apr. 13, at 2 p.m.	
SANDAKAN	WEDNESDAY, Apr. 17, at Noon.	
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HAIPHONG	SUNGLANG	Apr. 7, at 10 a.m.
MANILA, CEBU & ILOILO	TANG	Apr. 9, at 4 p.m.
WHAIWAI, OHEFOO & TIENSTEIN	KUICHOW	Apr. 9, at 4 p.m.
NINGPO & CHINKIANG	WU	Apr. 10, at 4 p.m.
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FOR	STEAMERS	Tons	To SAIL
NAPLES, GENOA, ALGIER, LUEZOW, ZIMBABWE, SOUTHAMPTON, TOR, ANTWERP & BREMEN.	Capt. J. Bortfeldt	(17,300)	WEDNESDAY, 17th Apr. at Noon.
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.	PRINZ LUDWIG, Capt. F. von Blum	(12,300)	THURSDAY, 18th Apr.
MANILA, ANGAUR, YAP, NEWGUINEA, BRISBANE, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE.	PRINZ WALDEMAR, Capt. H. Bremer	(6,100)	SATURDAY, 20th Apr. 9 a.m.
KOBE & YOKOHAMA.	COBLERZ, Capt. L. Klugkist	(6,700)	THURSDAY, 20th Apr.
KUBA & SANDAKAN.	BORNEO, Capt. F. Tennill		Middle of April.

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**THE AMERICAN & MANHATTAN STEAMSHIP CO.**

FOR BOSTON & NEW YORK (With Liberty to proceed via the Cape of Good Hope).

THE Steamship KALOMO, Captain KRAMER, will be despatched for the above Ports on THURSDAY, the 11th April.

For Freight, etc., apply to

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Hongkong, March 6, 1912.

**STEAM FOR STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEEN, EGYPT, MEXICO, RANEA PORTS, PLYMOUTH AND LONDON.**

Through Bills of Lading issued for BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF, CONTINENTAL, AMERICAN AND SOUTH AFRICAN PORTS.

THE Steamship DELTA, Captain E. F. MANN, will be despatched for the above Ports on SATURDAY, the 13th April, 1912, at Noon, taking Passengers and Cargo for the above ports in connection with the Company's Steamship 'Malaga', 11,000 tons, from Colombo, Passengers accommodations in which vessel are secured, before departure from Hongkong.

Bill and Valuable cargo for Japan, Tea and Cargo for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo to the mail steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles & London; other cargo for London, etc., will be conveyed via Bombay by the S.S. 'Egypt', due in London on the 24th May, 1912.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 p.m. the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required.

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E. A. HEWITT, Superintendent.

Hongkong, April 5, 1912.

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Electric light, hot and cold water throughout. Billiards, and every comfort, good food and fine cooking for guests.

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Hongkong, September 1, 1908.

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PROPOSED SAILINGS OF MAIL STEAMERS

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TAKING PASSENGERS ALSO FOR  
LOMBO, INDIA, AUSTRALASIA, EGYPT, BRINDISI, &c.  
THROUGH TICKETS ISSUED TO BOSTON AND NEW YORK.

Steamers	Leave Hongkong	Connecting Steamers from Colombo to	Due Marseilles (Colon)	Due Plymouth (London)
Colombo		London	2 days earlier	1 day later
Steamer	Tons	Steamer	Tons	Saturday
DELTA	8000	MALAJA	12500	May 11
ASSAYE	7500	MONGOLIA	10000	May 28
ORIENTAL	5284	MAINA	11000	May 31
DEVANHA	8000	CHINA	8000	June 8
DELTA	8000	MACEDONIA	10500	June 22
ARCADIA	7000	MOREA	11000	July 20

Passengers change Steamers at COLOMBO, and those for BRINDISI transfer also to the Express Mail Steamer at PORT SAID.  
Accommodation in the connecting Steamer from COLOMBO is definitely reserved in Hongkong at the time of Booking.

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1st SALOON £71.10 SINGLE £106.14 RETURN.

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STEAMERS	Tonnage	Leave Hongkong	Due London
SUBIA	6000	April	about 17
SUMATRA	5000	April	about 31
WAMUR	7000	May	about 14
PALAWAN	5000	May	about 29
BORENO	5000	May	about 13
SYRIA	7000	June	about 27
WORE	7000	June	about 10

These Steamers call also at SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, and at MARSEILLE &amp; BRINDISI.

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TRANSHIPMENT on the Co's Steamers at SINGAPORE for BATAVIA, at COLOMBO for CALCUTTA, BOMBAY and AUSTRALIA, at PORT SAID for LEBANON, CONNAT, SYDNEY and BLACK SEA.

Through Tickets to LONDON, via PARIS, from £27.10 up to £71.10. 20 hours railway from MARSEILLES to LONDON. Interceptors meet passengers on their arrival in Marseilles.

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HIGHEST-Class, fastest and most luxurious Steamers on the Coast, having splendid accommodation for First-Class Passengers. Electric Light. Excellent Cuisine.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW  
AND RETURN.

(Occupying 9 to 10 Days).

STEAMSHIP	CAPTAIN	LEAVING
HAICHING	Capt. W. C. Pasmore	TUESDAY, 9th Apr., at 11 A.M.
HAITAN	Capt. J. S. Roach	FRIDAY, 12th Apr., at 11 A.M.
HAIFANG	Capt. J. W. Evans	TUESDAY, 16th Apr., at 11 A.M.

FOR SWATOW AND RETURN.

(Occupying 3 Days)

STEAMSHIP	CAPTAIN	LEAVING
HAIMUN	Capt. A. H. Stewart	SUNDAY, 7th Apr., at 10 A.M.
		WEDNESDAY, 10th Apr., at 11 A.M.

Steamers will arrive at, and depart from, the Company's Wharf near Blake Pier.

For Freight and Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS, LAPRAIK &amp; CO.,

General Managers.



## PHILIPPINES STEAMSHIP Co.

Steamship	Tons	Captain	For	Sailing Date
SUBI	4,000	A. S. Crosby	Manila, Mangrove, Iloilo & Cebu	WEDNESDAY, April 10, at 4 p.m.
SATIRO	4,000	M. C. Smith	Manila, Mangrove, Iloilo & Cebu	SATURDAY, April 20, at 4 p.m.

For Freight and Passage, apply to

Shewan, Tomes &amp; Co., General Managers.

## Shipping

## THE BANK LINE, LIMITED.

REGULAR SERVICE FROM HONGKONG TO  
VICTORIA, VANCOUVER, SEATTLE, TACOMA  
and PORTLAND (Or.),  
via SHANGHAI & JAPAN PORTS.

Carrying Cargo on through Bills of Lading to all Overland Common Points.

STEAMER	Tons	CAPTAIN	ON OR ABOUT
RYGJA			April 4th.
RYGJA			April 18th.

† For Manila only.  
To be followed by other steamers of the Company at regular intervals.  
The BANK LINE Steamers are of the Newest Design, have most Commodious Accommodation and are fitted throughout with Electric Light and Wireless Telegraphy.

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CARGO earned on through Bills of Lading from HONGKONG to BEIRA, DELAGOA BAY, DURBAN (NATAL), EAST LONDON, PORT ELIZABETH and CAPE TOWN with transshipment at COLOMBO to steamers of the Indian African Line.

NEXT SAILING.

FROM HONGKONG. FROM COLOMBO.

27th April. S.S. 'Tymeric', 11th May.

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Hongkong, April 1, 1911.

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THE Steamers of this Service provide Quickest transit from the Orient to the Argentine.

Cargo carried on through Bills of Lading from Hongkong to River Plate Ports transshipping to Conference-Weir Line steamers at Calcutta.

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MANAGING AGENTS.

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South African Ports.

## ORIENTAL AFRICAN LINE

REGULAR Direct Service from Japan, China, and Straits to Beira, Delagoa Bay, Durban, East London, Port Elizabeth and Cape Town, calling at Mombasa, if sufficient inducement offers, and affording the Quickest Freight Transport from the Orient to South Africa.

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S.S. DUNERIC, 3,000 tons.....To be despatched 1st Half of May.

And regularly thereafter.

For rates of Freight or regularly Passage apply to

THE BANK LINE, LIMITED,

Managing Agents.

Hongkong, August 23, 1911.

THE EASTERN & STEAMSHIP CO.  
AUSTRALIAN LIMITED.

## MAIL SERVICE

## TO AUSTRALIA.

## MAIL SCHEDULE

(SUBJECT TO MODIFICATION)

STEAMERS	ARRIVE HONGKONG FROM AUSTRALIA	LEAVE HONGKONG FOR AUSTRALIA
ST. ALBANS	May 3.	April 27th, at Noon.
EASTERN	May 17.	May 26th, at Noon.
ALDENHAM	May 31.	June 5th, at Noon.

THE above Steamers are fitted with Refrigerating Machinery, ensuring a plentiful supply of Ice, Fresh Provisions, etc., and are lighted throughout with Electricity. All State-Rooms have Electric Fans. A fully qualified Doctor and Stewardess are carried.

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Agents.

Hongkong, November 2, 1908.

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Hongkong, April 4, 1908.

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## MONTHLY FAST DIRECT SERVICE TO TRIESTE.

VIA SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID.

S.S. KOERBER, 9000 tons, will leave as above on April 19th, at 8 p.m.

S.S. BOHEMIA, 7900 tons, will leave as above on May 19th, at 8 p.m.

Superior accommodation for 1st and 2nd Class and Storage passengers. Cheap rates. Hongkong—Trieste Venice £50 1st class, £30 2nd class. No extra, no tips, no inside Cabins, excellent cuisine, Doctor, Laundry, Wireless Telegraphy.

TO SHANGHAI.

S.S. BOHEMIA, 7900 tons, will leave as above on May 26th, at Daylight.

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S.S. E. FRANZ FERDINAND, 12,000 tons, will leave for YOKOHAMA &amp; KOBE, via SHANGHAI about 26th April.

S.S. CHINA, 11,000 tons, will leave for TRIESTE, Fiume and VENICE, via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, BOMBAY, KARACHI, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, on the 1st May.

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ROUND THE WORLD TICKETS ARE ISSUED.

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Hongkong, January 3, 1912.



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REGULAR SERVICES, PROPOSED

SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

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1911

VICTORIA, B.C. &amp; TACOMA via Shanghai, Moji, Kobe, Yokohama, and Yokohama.

CANADA MARU, 6064, Saturday, 30th Mar., at 11 p.m.

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For

Steamers

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FOOCHOW, via SWATOW &amp; AMOY KALJO MARU, WEDNESDAY, 10th Apr., at Noon.

ANPING, via SWATOW &amp; SOSHU MARU, THURSDAY, 18th Apr., at 10 a.m.

Fair speed, Superior passenger accommodation. Electric Light throughout.

First class cuisine.

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S. HIROI, Manager

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FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining on board after Noon, the 5th inst. will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATHESON &amp; Co., Ltd., General Managers.

Hongkong, April 4, 1912.

## PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM SAN FRANCISCO, JAPAN PORTS &amp; SHANGHAI.

CONSIGNEES OF CARGO per Steamship SIBERIA.

The above-mentioned vessel having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby notified to send in their Bills of Lading for counter-signature and to the immediate delivery of cargo from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

Cargo remaining on board after WEDNESDAY, April 3rd, 1912, at Noon will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense and delivery must then be taken from Company's Godown.

Cargo remaining undelivered on MONDAY, 8th April, 1912, at Noon will be subject to rent and landing charges.

No Fire Insurance whatever will be effected.

All chafed and otherwise damaged cargo will be examined at the above Company's godown on SATURDAY, April 6th, 1912, at 10 A.M.

All Claims must be filed on or before May 1st, 1912, otherwise they will not be recognized.

FRED J. HALTON, Agent.

Hongkong, April 1, 1912.

## TOYO KISEN KAISHA.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM SAN FRANCISCO, via JAPAN PORTS &amp; MANILA.

THE Steamship SHINYU MARU.

The above-named steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby notified to send in their Bills of Lading for counter-signature, and to take immediate delivery of cargo from alongside.

Cargo remaining undelivered on WEDNESDAY, the 3rd April, at 5 p.m. will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense and delivery must then be taken from Company's Godown.

No Fire Insurance whatever will be effected.

No claims will be recognized after the Goods have left the Steamer or Godown, and all goods remaining undelivered on WEDNESDAY, the 10th April, afternoon, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

All chafed and otherwise damaged cargo to be left on board on the 4th April, at 11 A.M.

All claims must be filed on or before SATURDAY, 13th April, otherwise they will not be recognized.

M. MATSUDA, Agent.

Hongkong, March 23, 1912.

## BEN LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP BENAFON.

FROM MIDDLEBRO, LONDON &amp; STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Liverpool and Manchester Warehouse and Godown Co., Limited, whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 6th April, will be subject to rent.

No claims against the steamer must be presented to the Underwriter on or before the 13th April, or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godown, where they will be examined on the 6th April, at 11 A.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by GIBB, LIVINGSTON &amp; CO.

Agents.

Hongkong, March 30, 1912.



